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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on October 25, 2004, in connection with the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments and consider the following arguments. A Notice of Appeal was filed on April 22, 2005. A request for a 5 month extension of time accompanies this response. This response is also filed with a Request for Continued Examination.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.